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- The following troop movements from the Wolmirstedt (K 53/Y 61) railroad station toward Letzling Heath were observed between 14 and 18 March 1952:

At 11 a.m. on 14 March. Eleven tanks

tanks carrying soldiers, 10 trucks

occupied by troops and 1 ambulance.

At 4 p.m. on 20 March. Eight trucks

On 21 March. Six trucks

and 6 tanks

at 2:30 p.m. and 5 trucks with soldiers

At 8:10 a.m. on 33 March. 6 tanks, 3 trucks with soldiers and 1 motorcycle.

At noon on 23 March. Six tanks

At 7 p.m. on 26 March. Trucks

carrying about 60 soldiers.

At 10 a.m. on 28 March. Ten tanks

and 2 tanks. *

- Troop movements from the direction of Letzling Heath to the Wolmirstedt railroad station between 15 and 23 March included:

At 9 a.m. on 15 March. Tanks

tank and truck

At 9 a.m. on 16 March. Tanks

and 6 trucks.

At 4 p.m. on 20 March. Tanks

tanks, and trucks carrying

soldiers.

At 10 a.m. on 25 March. Tanks and five trucks occupied by soldiers; departure by rail toward Magdeburg at 12:40 p.m.

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At 9:45 p.m. on 27 March. Seven tanks [REDACTED]

At 9:45 a.m. on 28 March. Eight tanks [REDACTED]

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3. The following troop trains passed through the Wolmirstedt railroad station toward Stendal between 13 and 22 March:

At 5:10 p.m. on 13 March. A train of 11 boxcars with soldiers, and an unknown number of flatcars carrying 41 trucks and AT guns and 1 field kitchen.

At 10 a.m. on 20 March. A train of 8 boxcars with soldiers, and an unknown number of flatcars with 2 AT guns, 4 jeeps, 1 field kitchen and 50 trucks; followed by another train of 6 boxcars with soldiers and an unidentified number of flatcars with 4 busses, 1 field kitchen, 12 sedans and jeeps, 40 trucks and some motor cycles.

At 3:25 p.m. on 21 March. A train of 10 boxcars with soldiers and an unknown number of flatcars carrying six canvas-covered artillery pieces and 26 trucks.

At 10:15 a.m. on 22 March. A train of eight boxcars with soldiers and an unknown number of flatcars carrying 8 tanks [REDACTED] 1 field kitchen and 20 trucks. ***

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* [REDACTED] Comment. The traffic between the Wolmirstedt railroad station and the Letzling Heath between 14 and 28 March 1952 included mostly tank detachments up to company strength. These units went for firing practices and belonged to the following divisions of the Eighth Gds Army: 20th Gds Wehr Div or 57th Gds Itz Rifle Div, 21st Gds Wehr Div, and 39th Gds Itz Rifle Div.

** [REDACTED] Comment. The units observed in paragraph 2 are probably identical with the units belonging to the divisions mentioned in the present report.* [REDACTED] and which returned to their home stations after termination of their firing practice.

*** [REDACTED] Comment. Except for the troop train observed on 20 March 1952 which among others, carried four busses and probably returned from the command post exercise in the Naumburg area, the purpose of these troop trains cannot be determined.

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